STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2004-683

September 30, 2004

BANGOR HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMPANY Request for Approval of Request for Bids Pursuant to Chapter 307 and Associated Waivers ORDER APPROVING RFB AND GRANTING WAIVERS

WELCH, Chairman; DIAMOND and REISHUS, Commissioners

On September 30, 2004, Bangor Hydro-Electric Company (BHE) filed for approval, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 3204(4) and Section 6(B)(3) of Chapter 307 of the Commission's Rules, a Request for Bids (RFB) package whereby BHE will sell its rights to capacity and energy from its divested generation assets. BHE also requested, pursuant to Section 11 of Chapter 307, waivers of certain requirements of Chapter 307.

Prior to its filing, the Commission Staff reviewed BHE's draft RFB and met with BHE's representatives to discuss the terms of the RFB package. BHE's filed-RFB package incorporates all of Staff's suggested changes to BHE's draft version.

Upon review, I find BHE's RFB package to be reasonable. As filed, BHE's RFB package, including the bid procedure established therein, requires certain waivers of Chapter 307. Therefore, I approve CMP's RFB package and any waivers of Chapter 307 that are required for BHE to issue its RFB package.

BY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Faith Huntington	